

FIRE TRAPS WOMEN AND ONE KILLED

Six Others Are Badly Burned, But Escape Alive; The Firemen Save Many

New York, June 2.—One woman was killed and six others were terribly burned early today in a fire in the furnished rooming house, 3413 W. Thirtieth street, which threatened the lives of a score of persons. The woman leaped from the roof to death on the pavement below.

Crazed by fear, the inmates of the house ran about the burning building in their night clothing, screaming for help. Escape was cut off by the flames and smoke on the lower floor and only the brave rescues by the firemen with ropes and scaling ladders prevented the death of all the occupants of the house. Lieutenant Mandaray, with four firemen, went down in the collapse of a burning stairway, but all escaped with slight burns and bruises.

Marie Beltraine, 40 years old, dressmaker, leaped from the roof and was instantly killed.

Many daring rescues were made by the firemen and police.

The fire, of unknown origin, started in a woodbin and burned straight up the stairway.

NOTED NEWSPAPER MAN IS DEAD OF OPOPLEXY

Chicago, June 2.—Wm. H. Welch, founder of the Western Newspaper association and at one time publisher of the Des Moines Leader, died at his home here following an attack of apoplexy last night.

CHAMBERLIN CHOICE FOR OREGON SENATOR

Portland, Ore., June 2.—George E. Chamberlin, Democrat, twice governor of Oregon, is possibly the popular choice of Oregon for United States senator. His lead over Judge Henry M. Calk will possibly be in the neighborhood of 1,000.

CONFERENCE ABOLISHES TITLE "PRESIDING ELDER"

Baltimore, June 2.—The time-honored title "presiding elder" was abolished yesterday by the general conference by the adoption of the minority report from the revision committee recommending that the name be changed to district superintendent. The presiding elder is today really a superintendent as his office is no longer merely sacramental, but administrative.

EXCITEMENT OF THEATRE FIRE KILLS AN ACTOR

Cleveland, Ohio, June 2.—Fire in Keith's theatre yesterday afternoon, in which a panic was averted only by the coolness of the house staff and orchestra, cost the life of Eugene J. Pison, 38 years old, who has played in the support of many stars. He died of heart disease due to the excitement caused by the approach of the flames and his haste to pack his costumes.

MURDER IS SUSPECTED

Cheyenne, Wyo., June 2.—A telephone message from Lander states that startling developments in connection with the death of George F. Thompson, who was supposed to have committed suicide there Sunday morning by drowning himself in a whiskey barrel half filled with water.

The charge is now made that Thompson was murdered and that robbery was the motive. A post-mortem examination made yesterday disclosed wounds on the head and body which, it is declared, could not have been inflicted under any circumstances. Thompson had a large sum of money in his possession when last seen Friday night, and this could not be found after his body was found in the barrel. The gambling loss theory was advanced and for a time accepted. The coroner has decided to hold an inquest, pending which several men are under surveillance. One man, it is understood, has already been taken into custody on suspicion.

LOCAL PERSONAL

Frank Lambert unloaded a car of coal for the pump house last week.

W. D. Kirshner drove into town in his auto last Sunday morning from Raton.

S. N. Brewer, after selling out his pool hall to A. C. Cox, drove over land to Tucumcari.

Frederick Whitney drove the Van Houten fishing party out to the Raton last Sunday morning.

"Pete" Pearson went to Koehler last week to do carpenter work on the packing house being built there.

Mrs. W. D. Kirshner, a sister of Billy Marling, accompanied by her two daughters, have left for their home after a week's visit in Cimarron.

Chas. Scott has resigned his position with the mill force and of the lumber company and is now working on the Dr. Bass residence.

George Dillman, who ran the butcher shop for Duckworth & Marling last winter, has gone to Des Moines to work for the St. L. R. M. & P. R. R. Co.

Frank Divency of the Oxford hotel, has resigned and gone to Raton, where he expects to go into business. Al Davis has purchased the Owens interest in the butcher shop known as the Oxford shop.

Tom Finan, one of the well known old timers has returned to Cimarron after an absence of several months. Mr. Finan has been down in Arizona and Old Mexico for some time, and he states that while he had a good time and the world was treating him nicely, he simply could not stay away from Cimarron any longer.

The St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific has donated several car loads of cinders toward making walks here in Cimarron. The railroad company has already delivered a car load, and Wm. Marling is engaged in making sidewalks from the Oxford hotel north to the post office, and along the south side of the park to the depot. This is an improvement that has been needed for some time and Mr. Marling is to be congratulated on his public spirit.

LONG RACE IS HALF OVER

An unusual degree of interest is manifested in the endurance race which is being run from Evanston, Wyo., to Denver. The latest report yesterday stated that Workman, of Cody, was in the lead and that Kern was second, eighteen miles in the rear. The leader passed through Fort Steele, Wyo., yesterday, 295 miles from the starting point. Dolin, a Las Animas county rider was well up with the leaders. No word was received yesterday of Charley Trew of Puerco and his Huertano county thoroughbred, Archie. When last mentioned in the dispatches, he was leaving Wamsutter, Wyo., at noon Monday. The horses are being closely watched by humane officers and none are being allowed to go on when not in condition. A number have already dropped out.

BLANCHE BATES' MOTHER DIES OF APOPLEXY

Ossining, N. Y., June 2.—Mrs. Frances Wren Bates, mother of Blanche Bates, the actress, died of apoplexy Saturday at her daughter's home, Bailey Farm, three miles from here. She was 59 years old. Miss Bates was at her bedside at the end.

Mrs. Bates was born in Virginia. She was one of the Wren family, a famous vaudeville troupe.

MINER CRUSHED TO DEATH IN THE AJAX AT VICTOR

Victor, Colo., June 2.—Wm. Moyle, aged 42, was crushed to death by a cave-in at 1:30 yesterday afternoon on the 400-foot level of the Ajax mine in Battle mountain. He leaves a wife and family.

FIRST MAN TO HEAR TELEPHONE IS DEAD

Chicago, June 2.—William Hammond Hubbard, said to be the first person to hear the human voice reproduced on the telephone, died yesterday at Lake Forest, Ill. He it was whom Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, in the late '70s selected to aid him in making the tests of the scientific discovery that has revolutionized the world.

DEAL CLOSED

Trinidad, Colo., June 2

The Clark coal land deal was consummated yesterday when articles of incorporation for the Montana-Clark Realty company were filed with the clerk of Las Animas county and the deeds for the immense rich coal lands were transferred to Charles Francis Adams of Boston to the Montana millionaire.

The articles were filed by W. L. Bretherton, who represents Senator Clark in this county.

The new corporation is capitalized at \$1,500,000 under the laws of the state of Washington. The purposes of the company are to buy and sell real estate, mine coal and sell coal and manufacture and sell electric light power.

That the deal was closed has been known since the recent visit of Senator Clark to this section, but the actual transfer is indicative of the progress that is being made in the preliminary work for the actual development of the bog project. A force of men are now at work on the lands and the number will be increased later.

The record does not show the consideration paid for the tract of land purchased from the Adams Cattle company.

At the same time these deeds were transferred, William George, and Ella, Albert E. and Mary Gooderham transferred to the new corporation a tract of 1,681 acres adjoining the Adams tract. This is the first mention that has been made of this deal, which is a large one within itself and a large addition to the land already bought. The consideration is not mentioned.

The deeds have been in the city for some time, but Mr. Bretherton has been waiting until such a time as the concern was incorporated.

Before leaving here, Senator Clark said that he was trying to arrange with the C. & F. I. to build a branch line to his property, adding that, if he could not do so he would build his own line. The incorporation of the company is a good indication that some action has been taken in the matter, but whether he will build or use the C. & W. is not known.

UP IN THE AIR

Denver, June 2.—Not until the district court and the supreme court shall each have had another opportunity to pass on the question, will it be determined whether or not the act to create a state railway commission for Colorado is constitutional. The supreme court this morning, in passing upon the suit brought to test the constitutionality of the act, declined to express an opinion upon that question, merely remanding the action for a new trial on the ground of irregularities occurring in the trial of the case in the lower court.

The district court held that the railway commission act was unconstitutional, and from this decision an appeal was taken, the briefs presented on the appeal, as well as the exceptions upon which the appeal was based, setting forth, on behalf of the litigants, not only the question of the constitutionality of the act, but also irregularities in the course of the trial in the lower court, errors of both law and fact being assigned.

It was the belief of the attorneys for either side that the supreme court would dispose of all the questions raised by the appeal, but when the decision was announced this morning by the appellate tribunal it was found that the decision was reversed and the new trial ordered solely upon the ground of errors in the course of the trial, the supreme court declining on this appeal to go into the question of the constitutionality of the act.

The case will speedily be tried anew in the district court, and then another appeal will be taken, upon which the supreme court will be again asked to pass on the constitutional question.

HOODOO SHIP GOES DOWN OFF NEW YORK SHORE

New York, June 2.—The Peter Rickmers, a German full-rigged ship which ran ashore on the Long Island coast several weeks ago, broke in two late last night and the remainder of her cargo of case oil was swept out to sea. Only a part of the ship's bow is now visible.

The incoming tide brought in many cases of oil, and beach combers made a profitable haul yesterday. They were so numerous that the crews of the wreckers had difficulty in saving the remnants of the cargo. Deputy sheriffs are now guarding salvage valued at \$35,000.

Frustrated on shore the beach combers sailed out beyond the three mile limit, and caught many drifting cases of oil.

AUTO KILLS 2

New York, June 2.—Whirling up Ocean parkway, Brooklyn, at a speed of fifty miles an hour early today, a big touring automobile containing a party of Brooklyn merry-makers who had spent the night at Coney Island, crashed into a tree, bounded into the air, turned turtle and fell upon the occupants. Two men were instantly killed and two were so severely crushed that they may die. Two other men who were in the car escaped almost without a scratch. The dead are:

WILLIAM P. GOUBEAUD, THOMAS NOLAN, The injured:

Victor Brandes, right arm and left thigh broken and internal injuries.

James McKenna, left shoulder broken and possibly internal injuries.

The automobile was owned and driven by John Lanyon of Brooklyn. In the automobile with Lanyon, besides the two men who were killed, with the two injured, were Ernest Eggert.

Lanyon, who was at the wheel of the machine when the accident occurred, was arrested.

The accident is believed to have resulted from a disarrangement of the

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steering gear. The car was flying up Ocean parkway at a tremendous speed when it struck the curve. When Lanyon turned the wheel to turn the car around it responded promptly at first, then with a sudden swerve it darted toward the curb and crashed against the tree. Goubaud and Nolan were instantly killed.

Brandes and McKenna were so severely crushed that they were unconscious when they were removed from the wreckage. Lanyon and Eggert were stunned, but quickly recovered.

ONLY PRIVATE IN LOYAL LEGION IS INTERRED

New York, June 2.—Sergeant John Nichol of Whitestone, a veteran of the Civil war and Indian war, said to be the only enlisted man in the United States army ever admitted to membership in the Loyal Legion, was buried here yesterday with military honors. A detachment of soldiers from Fort Totten, Willet's Point, acted as an escort.

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